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one ashore here except the captain of the ship. This vessel sailed on the given date for Baltimore, Md., and was inspected by me for the second time as she originally took out her bills on the 13th instant, and after doing so received cable orders to wait until the 19th instant. On the 23d instant the British steamship *Eastern Prince*, for New York, with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, no change in the crew personnel, and no one ashore here except the ship's captain. On the 25th instant the British barkentine *Eva Lynch*, for Baltimore, Md., with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel, except in the case of one sailor taken on here. No other ships left here for American ports during the week under consideration.

*Sanitary information from the Argentine Republic.*

The following reports have been received:

*Buenos Ayres, December 24, 1904.*—The department of hygiene is to undergo an entire reform. The measures agreed upon at the sanitary convention held in Rio some months ago will be enforced and put in operation at this port.

*Buenos Ayres, December 26, 1904.*—The "Assistencia Publica" is about to establish a dairy farm for the exclusive use of the hospitals and houses of charity in this city, which places daily consume some 600 liters of milk.

*Buenos Ayres, December 27, 1904.*—A communication from Santa Fe states that a case of bubonic plague, rapidly proving fatal, has occurred there. The sick man died six hours after being taken ill.

*Buenos Ayres, December 28, 1904.*—The case of bubonic plague reported yesterday from Santa Fe was to-day proved to be true bubonic plague. Severe prophylactic measures have been instituted to prevent any spread of this disease.

In Buenos Ayres, during the past few days, there have been many cases of scarlet fever and of "benign" variola reported.

*Mortuary report, city of Niteroy, State of Rio de Janeiro, for the month of November, 1904.*

During the month there were in all 187 deaths. Of this number bubonic plague caused 5; variola, 50; grippe, 4; typhoid fever, 1; beriberi, 1; malarial fevers, 6; tuberculosis, 15; anæmia, 2; diseases of the nervous system, 9; of the circulatory system, 6; of the respiratory system, 13; of the digestive system, 42; of the urinary system, 3; of the skin, 1; from congenital debility, 6; from senile debility, 8; from violence, 5; from diseases badly defined, 1; stillbirths, 9.

Males, 98; natives, 178; foreigners, 8; nationality unknown, 1.

By ages as follows: Less than 1 year old, 39; 1 to 5 years, 36; 5 to 10, 8; 10 to 20, 16; 20 to 30, 23; 30 to 40, 17; 40 to 50, 14; 50 to 60, 8; more than 60 years old, 15; age unknown, 2.

During the same period there were 34 marriages and 150 births, including the stillbirths, of which births 77 were males and 73 females.

*Mortuary reports for Port Alegre, State of Rio Grande do Sul.*

The following extracts may be of interest: "With a population of 90,000 persons which exists in Port Alegre there is a death rate of